

OPINION 1818***Rhopalosiphum monardae* Davis, 1911 (currently *Hyalomyzus monardae*; Insecta, Homoptera): specific name conserved**

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Ruling

(1) Under the plenary powers the specific name *scrophulariae* Thomas, 1879, as published in the binomen *Phorodon scrophulariae*, is hereby suppressed for the purposes of the Principle of Priority but not for those of the Principle of Homonymy.

(2) The name *monardae* Davis, 1911, as published in the binomen *Rhopalosiphum monardae*, is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology.

(3) The name *scrophulariae* Thomas, 1879, as published in the binomen *Phorodon scrophulariae* and as suppressed in (1) above, is hereby placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Specific Names in Zoology.

History of Case 2890

An application for the conservation of the specific name of *Rhopalosiphum monardae* Davis, 1911 was received from Dr David J. Voegtlin (*Center for Biodiversity, Illinois Natural History Survey, Champaign, Illinois, U.S.A.*) on 26 April 1993. After correspondence the case was published in BZN 51: 118–120 (June 1994). Notice of the case was sent to appropriate journals.

Decision of the Commission

On 1 March 1995 the members of the Commission were invited to vote on the proposals published in BZN 51: 119. At the close of the voting period on 1 June 1995 the votes were as follows:

Affirmative votes — 19: Bock, Cocks, Corliss, Dupuis, Hahn, Heppell, Holthuis, Kraus, Lehtinen, Mahnert, Martins de Souza, Minelli, Nielsen, Nye, Ride, Savage, Schuster, Starobogatov, Štys

Negative votes — 4: Bouchet, Kabata, Macpherson and Thompson.

No votes were received from Cogger, Halvorsen, Trjapitzin and Uéno.

Bayer was on leave of absence.

Kabata commented: 'I fail to see why *Phorodon scrophulariae* is referred to as 'inappropriate' (para. 5 of the application; cf. Articles 18 and 23m of the Code). Reversion to the senior name is not likely to cause any great upheaval in nomenclature and I believe that in this case we should uphold the principle of priority'.

Original references

The following are the original references to the names placed on an Official List and an Official Index by the ruling given in the present Opinion:

scrophulariae, *Phorodon*, Thomas, 1879, *Third Annual Report of the State Entomologist of Illinois*, 8: 72.

monardae, *Rhopalosiphum*. Davis, 1911, *University of Nebraska Studies*, 11(3): 288.